## Coastal Habitat Conservation in a Changing Climate: Strategies and Tools in the Mid-Atlantic

## **Breakout Session I: Assessing Impacts and Vulnerability**

Tuesday (10:40-12:15)

- 1. (15 min) Introductions (please answer the following questions):
  - a. Your NAME and ORGANIZATION
  - b. Which of the following best describes your role in coastal habitat conservation?
    - i. Habitat Restoration
    - ii. Habitat Protection permits/consultations
    - iii. Habitat Protection acquisitions
    - iv. Resource Management
    - v. Other
  - c. Which of the following best describes the status of your organization in assessing impacts and vulnerability of coastal habitats to climate change?
    - i. Not assessing
    - ii. Thinking about it
    - iii. Assessments underway
    - iv. Assessments completed
    - v. Assessments used to shape actions
- 2. (20 min) What are the key approaches you are using (or know of) to assess climate impacts and vulnerability of coastal habitats?

(Product: summary of key approaches across region)

3. (20 min) What are the key constraints/needs/gaps in moving forward in assessing impacts and vulnerability of coastal habitats to a changing climate in this region?

(Product: list of key constraints/needs for assessing impacts & vulnerability in region)

- Data & information constraints (if so, what)?
- Gaps in capacity to assess or use information?
- *Gaps in decision support tools or other resources (what kind)?*
- Management and/or policy constraints?
- 4. (20 min) What are some specific actions/solutions that could help fill these constraints?

(Product: list of specific actions needed to fill the gaps)

5. (10 min) What are the 3-5 most important points to include in report out?

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## **Breakout Session II: Taking Action To Promote Climate Resilient Habitats**

Tuesday June 22 (3:45 - 5:00 pm)

- 1. (20 min) What are the key tools or strategies you are using (or know of) to incorporate climate impacts and vulnerabilities into plans and actions to increase resilience of coastal habitats (= adaptation strategies)? (Product: summary of key approaches across region)
  - Management or policy guidelines?
  - o Decision support tools or other resources?
  - o Data/information delivery mechanisms?
- 2. (20 min) What are the key constraints/needs/gaps in developing and implementing strategies to increase resilience and adaptation of coastal habitats to climate change?

(Product: list of key constraints/needs in moving forward)

- Data & information constraints (if so, what)?
- Gaps in capacity to assess or use information?
- Gaps in decision support tools or other resources (what kind)?
- Management and/or policy constraints?
- 3. (20 min ) What are some specific actions/solutions that could help address these constraints?

(Product: list of key actions needed to happen to fill these gaps)

4. (10 min) What are the 3-5 most important points to include in report out?